

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 113th Congress.

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original resolution authorizing the reporting of committee funding resolutions for the period October 1, 2013, through February 28, 2015;

An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 113th Congress; and

The nominations of Ann Miller Ravel, of California, and Lee E. Goodman, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 113th Congress.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 3105–3118; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 55; and H.Res. 348 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2449, to authorize the President to extend the term of the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Civil Uses of Nuclear Energy for a period not to exceed March 19, 2016 (H. Rept. 113–209);

H.R. 1410, to prohibit gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona until the expiration of certain gaming compacts (H. Rept. 113–210);

H.R. 2011, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a two-year extension of the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education (H. Rept. 113–211);

H.R. 813, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for advance appropriations for certain discretionary accounts of the Department of Veterans Affairs, with amendments (H. Rept. 113–212);

H.R. 1526, to restore employment and educational opportunities in, and improve the economic stability of, counties containing National Forest System land, while also reducing Forest Service management costs, by ensuring that such counties have a dependable source of revenue from National Forest System land, to provide a temporary extension of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–213, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 347, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 761) to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to more efficiently develop domestic sources of the minerals and mineral materials of strategic and critical importance to United States economic and national security and manufacturing competitiveness (H. Rept. 113–214).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Valadao to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:03 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:09 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Keep the Promise Act of 2013: H.R. 1410, to prohibit gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona until the expiration of certain gaming compacts;

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Authorizing the President to extend the term of the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Civil Uses of Nuclear Energy for a period not to exceed March 19, 2016: H.R. 2449, to authorize the President to extend the term of the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Civil Uses of Nuclear Energy for a period not to exceed March 19, 2016, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 407 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 461; **Pages H5562–64, H5573–74**

Organization of American States Revitalization and Reform Act of 2013: S. 793, amended, to support revitalization and reform of the Organization of American States, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 383 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 462; and

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Missing Children's Assistance Reauthorization Act of 2013: H.R. 3092, amended, to amend the Missing Children's Assistance Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 407 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 460.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:53 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the shooting at the Washington Naval Yard on Monday, September 16, 2013.

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Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Providing for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia: H.R. 301, amended, to provide for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted an Agreement on Social Security between the United States of America and the Slovak Republic—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–62).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5572–73, H5573–74, H5574. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Committee Meeting

NATIONAL STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERALS PRODUCTION ACT OF 2013

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 761, the “National Strategic and Critical Minerals Production Act of 2013”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–2, a structured rule for H.R. 761. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in

order as original text for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill the provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hastings (WA) and Representative Hastings (FL).

Joint Meetings

EFFORTS TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe efforts to combat human trafficking, focusing on the role and mandate of the Special Representative and Coordinator for Trafficking in Human Beings and efforts to combat modern day slavery in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe region, after receiving testimony from Maria Grazia Giammarinaro, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Special Representative and Coordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, Vienna, Austria.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine recovering from Superstorm Sandy, focusing on assessing the progress, continuing needs, and rebuilding strategy, 10:30 a.m., SD–538.

Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold hearings to examine implementation of the “Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Act of 2012”, focusing on one year after enactment, 2:30 p.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine enhancing accountability and increasing financial transparency, 10 a.m., SD–608.